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Officers of 1st Regiment to Andrew Jackson, November 15, 1813, from Correspondence of Andrew Jackson. Edited by John Spencer Bassett.

TEN OFFICERS OF 1ST REGIMENT TO JACKSON.

Camp Strother, November 15, 1813

Sir. The officers of the 2nd Regt T V. learn, with extream regret, that you infer, from the address forwarded you last night from the 1st Brigade that the officers of that Brigade wished forthwith to abandon the camp, the sick, and the wounded. From the peculiar state of things here, you sir, called on them for a candid expression of their opinions. this they gave with the frankness of a soldier, not expecting it would be misconstrued into a desitution [?] of duty, or propriety; neither did they expect that you would on slight evidence question their devotion, both to your person and the interest of our common country. If they have not already given sufficient proof of this attachment, nothing that they can at this time say will have weight. In the address alluded to they not only give their opinion on existing facts, but also pledged themselves to support with their authority, and personal influence, any measure which you may determine on. On this occasion they take the liberty to repeat what they before said, that their fidelity you may rely on, and that they will be among the last of whom you will have cause to complain. We rejoice to hear that our Brethren of other Regiments have pledged themselves to remain a while longer and ascertain whether supplies can be had; this personal wish and intention was, and is, to do the same, and their best exertions have been directed to that point, believing that so soon as that part is known you will act the true part of your great charactor.

Yours etc

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